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The following are listed on the accompanying PTO/SB/08 and are in a non-English language:

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2001-056763 - An English language

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2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-109175 - An English language

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3. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-109183 - An English language

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4. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-352071 - An English language

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5. AKUTSU, S. et al., "Branding Capabilities in Creating Knowledge,"

Diamond Harvard Business Review, Kabushiki Kaisha Diamond-sha, Japan, pp. 173-186, (August 2001). - The relevance of this document is discussed at page 2 of the specification of the present application.

6. "Marketing Basics," Japan Marketing Association, Second Edition, pp. 93-

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